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My dear Mr. Billings:

Of course I remember you, - remember your Abraham Lincoln - remember the afternoon that I met you at Wanamaker's, where, although I knew that I was to see you, I almost fainted when you walked in. It was like one coming out of the past.

I greatly regret that you feel that your experience in the Lincoln picture was tragic. I realize how disappointing it was to you, but, remember, that, nevertheless, it was a substantial contribution to the education of the public, and do not for a moment think it is lost. No good thing is ever lost.

Now, as to your play, which you say you have spent the time in the hospital writing. I do not know that I can be of the least help to you as I haven't a thing to do with the theatre and never have had. I am quite incapable of judging of a play; but if you should wish me to do so, I could call the attention of my friend Miss Marbury, the head of the American Play Co., to it; and I am sure she would give you an honest opinion. My opinion of its value, I am afraid, would be useless. Kindly let me know if you would like me to submit the play to Miss Marbury. Of course I should be glad to read it before I sent it on to her.

Hoping that you are daily getting stronger, believe me

Very sincerely yours

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